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L2 ANSWER 10 OF 24 CAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2006 ACS on STN
ACCESSION NUMBER: 2004:182244 CAPLUS
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 140:223261
TITLE: Polymeric delivery systems
INVENTOR(S): Griffiths, Gary L.; Goldenberg, David M.; Hansen, Hans J.
PATENT ASSIGNEE(S): Immunomedics, Inc., USA
SOURCE: U.S. Pat. Appl. Publ., 24 pp., Cont.-in-part of U.S. Ser. No. 209,592.
CODEN: USXXCO
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LANGUAGE: English
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US 2003026764	A1	20030206	US 2002-209592	20020731
CA 2455856	AA	20030213	CA 2002-2455856	20020731
EP 1411987	A2	20040428	EP 2002-749088	20020731
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PRIORITY APPLN. INFO.:			US 2001-308605P	P 20010731
			US 2002-209592	A2 20020731
			WO 2002-GB3494	W 20020731

AB The present invention relates to a method of targeting an agent towards a targeting site in a tissue comprising administering a multi-specific antibody or antibody fragment comprising a targeting arm and a capture arm that binds to a polymer conjugate, and administering a polymer conjugate

to the tissue. The present invention also relates to a kit for targeting a target site within a comprising a multi-specific antibody or antibody fragment comprising a targeting arm and a capture arm that binds to a polymer conjugate, and a polymer conjugate.

L2 ANSWER 11 OF 24 CAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2006 ACS on STN

ACCESSION NUMBER: 2004:141669 CAPLUS
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 140:216171
TITLE: Anti-PSMA antibodies and PSMA multimers for diagnosis, prognosis and therapy of prostatic or non-prostatic cancers
INVENTOR(S): Maddon, Paul J.; Donovan, Gerald P.; Olson, William C.; Schulke, Norbert; Gardner, Jason; Ma, Dangshe
PATENT ASSIGNEE(S): USA
SOURCE: U.S. Pat. Appl. Publ., 151 pp., Cont.-in-part of Appl. No. PCT/US02/33944.
CODEN: USXXCO
DOCUMENT TYPE: Patent
LANGUAGE: English
FAMILY ACC. NUM. COUNT: 4
PATENT INFORMATION:

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WO 2003034903	A2	20030501	WO 2002-US33944	20021023
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			US 2002-362747P	P 20020307
			US 2002-412618P	P 20020920
			WO 2002-US33944	A2 20021023
			US 2003-395894	A2 20030321
			US 2003-695667	A2 20031027

AB The invention includes antibodies or antigen-binding fragments thereof which bind specifically to conformational epitopes on the extracellular domain of prostate specific membrane antigen (PSMA), compns. containing one or a combination of such antibodies or antigen-binding fragments thereof, hybridoma cell lines that produce the antibodies, and methods of using the antibodies or antigen-binding fragments thereof for cancer diagnosis and treatment. The invention also includes oligomeric forms of PSMA proteins, compns. comprising the multimers, and antibodies that selectively bind to the multimers.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2005428234 EMBASE
TITLE: Targeting prostate-specific membrane antigen in cancer therapy: Can molecular medicine be brought to the surface?
AUTHOR: Leach F.

CORPORATE SOURCE: F. Leach, Scott Department of Urology, Baylor College of
Medicine, 6560 Fannin, Houston, TX 77030, United States.
fleach@bcm.tmc.edu
SOURCE: Cancer Biology and Therapy, (2004) Vol. 3, No. 6, pp.
559-560.
Refs: 12
ISSN: 1538-4047
COUNTRY: United States
DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal; General Review
FILE SEGMENT: 016 Cancer
028 Urology and Nephrology
037 Drug Literature Index
LANGUAGE: English
SUMMARY LANGUAGE: English
ENTRY DATE: Entered STN: 27 Oct 2005
Last Updated on STN: 27 Oct 2005

AB Systemic chemotherapy can be associated with significant morbidity as a
result of non-specific side effects and drug toxicity. A major advance in
cancer therapy is the ability to target specific molecules and pathways
due to increased knowledge of gene expression and biochemical function.
In this issue of Cancer Biology & Therapy, a targeted approach to prostate
cancer chemotherapy is explored using the inherent enzymatic activity of
prostate-specific membrane antigen
(PSMA) and peptide conjugated methotrexate. Substrate
specificity and specific activity were determined using soluble PSMA while
selective drug toxicity was determined using clonal inhibition of PSMA+
and PSMA- cancer cell lines. Peptide conjugates linked to
methotrexate were identified with enhanced selective clonal
inhibition in the presence of PSMA. Despite these promising results,
multiple variables affecting clinical feasibility such as substrate
stability and non-PSMA dependent drug uptake will require careful
consideration before PSMA is ready for prime time as a selective
chemotherapeutic target. .COPYRG.T.2004 Landes Bioscience.

L2 ANSWER 13 OF 24 MEDLINE on STN DUPLICATE 2
ACCESSION NUMBER: 2004418666 MEDLINE
DOCUMENT NUMBER: PubMed ID: 15044850
TITLE: Use of methotrexate-based peptide substrates to
characterize the substrate specificity of prostate
-specific membrane antigen
(PSMA).
AUTHOR: Mhaka Annastasia; Gady Alyssa M; Rosen D Marc; Lo
Kin-Ming; Gillies Steven D; Denmeade Samuel R
CORPORATE SOURCE: The Sidney Kimmel Comprehensive Cancer Center at Johns
Hopkins, The Johns Hopkins School of Medicine, Baltimore,
Maryland, USA.
SOURCE: Cancer biology & therapy, (2004 Jun) Vol. 3, No. 6, pp.
551-8. Electronic Publication: 2004-06-10.
Journal code: 101137842. ISSN: 1538-4047.
PUB. COUNTRY: United States
DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal; Article; (JOURNAL ARTICLE)
LANGUAGE: English
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ENTRY MONTH: 200505
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AB Prostate-Specific Membrane Antigen
(PSMA) is a glutamate carboxypeptidase II that is highly expressed by both
normal and malignant prostate epithelial cells and by the neovasculature
of many tumor types but is not expressed by endothelial cells in normal
tissue. PSMA possesses the hydrolytic properties of an N-acetylated
alpha-linked acidic dipeptidase (NAALADase) and also functions as a
pteroyl poly-gamma-glutamyl carboxypeptidase (i.e., folate hydrolase):

Therefore, PSMA can be targeted for activation of peptide-based prodrugs within the extracellular fluid of prostate cancers. In this study, methotrexate-based peptide analogs were evaluated to identify PSMA selective substrates that are also stable to nonspecific hydrolysis in human and mouse plasma. These methotrexate analogs were also characterized for in vitro toxicity against PSMA and nonPSMA producing human cancer cell lines. Analogs containing gamma-linked glutamate residues were most efficiently hydrolyzed by PSMA, but were unstable in plasma. Analogs containing both alpha- and gamma-linked acidic amino acids were less efficiently hydrolyzed by PSMA but were most stable in plasma. Analogs were 5-10 fold more selectively toxic in vitro in the presence of active PSMA. These studies have identified PSMA selective, plasma stable peptide substrates that can be incorporated into prodrugs targeted for activation by PSMA within prostate cancer sites.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2004383856 EMBASE
 TITLE: Genetic modification of T cells for cancer therapy.
 AUTHOR: Imai C.; Campana D.
 CORPORATE SOURCE: Dr. D. Campana, Department of Hematology-Oncology, St. Jude Children's Research Hosp., 332 North Lauderdale, Memphis, TN 38105-2794, United States. dario.campana@stjude.org
 SOURCE: Journal of Biological Regulators and Homeostatic Agents, (2004) Vol. 18, No. 1, pp. 62-71. .
 Refs: 109
 ISSN: 0393-974X CODEN: JBRAER
 COUNTRY: Italy
 DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal; General Review
 FILE SEGMENT: 016 Cancer
 022 Human Genetics
 030 Pharmacology
 026 Immunology, Serology and Transplantation
 037 Drug Literature Index
 039 Pharmacy
 LANGUAGE: English
 SUMMARY LANGUAGE: English
 ENTRY DATE: Entered STN: 24 Sep 2004
 Last Updated on STN: 24 Sep 2004

AB The use of immune cells with restricted specificities for the treatment of cancer is a rapidly emerging area of clinical research. Chimeric receptors composed of the single-chain variable domain of murine antibodies and human signaling molecules are a promising tool to redirect the specificity of autologous or allogeneic immune cells. The success of this approach depends on the identification of target molecules expressed preferentially on cancer cells. Moreover, appropriate primary and secondary stimuli must be delivered to generate vigorous and durable immune responses. Since cancer cells often lack ligands for key co-stimulatory molecules, the addition of molecules such as CD28 or 4-1BB to the chimeric receptors can significantly improve their function. Studies in vitro and in animal models indicate that immune cells expressing chimeric receptors can have remarkable anti-cancer activity, while experimental and clinical data indicate that long-term persistence of adoptively transferred cells is feasible. Therefore, testing of this approach in clinical trials is warranted. We here review the principles and methodologies for designing chimeric receptors and delivering them into immune cells, as well as some of the potential complications associated with this form of cell therapy. .COPYRGT. Wichtig Editore, 2004.

L2 ANSWER 15 OF 24 CAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2006 ACS on STN

ACCESSION NUMBER: 2003:335142 CAPLUS
 DOCUMENT NUMBER: 138:348687
 TITLE: Use of selective tissue vascular thrombogens for

targeting tumor tissues
 INVENTOR(S): Liu, Cheng; Edgington, Thomas S.
 PATENT ASSIGNEE(S): Novartis A.-G., Switz.; Novartis Pharma G.m.b.H.; The
 Scripps Research Institute
 SOURCE: PCT Int. Appl., 100 pp.
 CODEN: PIXXD2
 DOCUMENT TYPE: Patent
 LANGUAGE: English
 FAMILY ACC. NUM. COUNT: 1
 PATENT INFORMATION:

PATENT NO.	KIND	DATE	APPLICATION NO.	DATE
WO 2003035688	A2	20030501	WO 2002-EP11925	20021024
WO 2003035688	A3	20040318		
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US 2003194400	A1	20031016	US 2002-279733	20021024
EP 1443954	A2	20040811	EP 2002-785305	20021024
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PRIORITY APPLN. INFO.:			US 2001-336331P	P 20011026
			US 2002-412194P	P 20020920
			WO 2002-EP11925	W 20021024

AB The invention provided compns. and methods to initiate site-specific thrombosis in tumor vasculature. The invention particularly provides Selective Tissue Vascular Thrombogens (STVTs) that can targeted thrombosis, infarction and destruction of selected tissues, for example, tumors. The present invention also provides methods for using the disclosed compns. and methods to treat tumors.

L2 ANSWER 16 OF 24 CAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2006 ACS on STN

ACCESSION NUMBER: 2003:334823 CAPLUS
 DOCUMENT NUMBER: 138:352761
 TITLE: Anti-prostate specific membrane antigen (PSMA) antibodies and fragments for cancer diagnosis and therapy and antitumor screening
 INVENTOR(S): Maddon, Paul J.; Donovan, Gerald P.; Olson, William C.; Schuelke, Norbert; Gardner, Jason; Ma, Dangshe
 PATENT ASSIGNEE(S): PSMA Development Company, L.L.C., USA
 SOURCE: PCT Int. Appl., 238 pp.
 CODEN: PIXXD2
 DOCUMENT TYPE: Patent
 LANGUAGE: English
 FAMILY ACC. NUM. COUNT: 4
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PATENT NO.	KIND	DATE	APPLICATION NO.	DATE
WO 2003034903	A2	20030501	WO 2002-US33944	20021023
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US 2002-412618P P 20020920
WO 2002-US33944 W 20021023
US 2003-395894 A2 20030321
US 2003-695667 A2 20031027

AB The invention includes antibodies or antigen-binding fragments thereof which bind specifically to conformational epitopes on the extracellular domain of PSMA, compns. containing one or a combination of such antibodies or antibodies or antigen-binding fragments thereof, hybridoma cell lines that produce the antibodies, and methods of using the antibodies or antigen-binding fragments thereof for cancer diagnosis and treatment. The invention also includes oligomeric forms of PSMA proteins, compns. comprising the multimers, and antibodies that selectively bind to the multimers.

L2 ANSWER 17 OF 24 CAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2006 ACS on STN
ACCESSION NUMBER: 2003:242117 CAPLUS
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 138:276253
TITLE: Methods and compositions for treating or preventing skin disorders using binding agents specific for prostate specific membrane antigen
INVENTOR(S): Bander, Neil
PATENT ASSIGNEE(S): Cornell Research Foundation, Inc., USA
SOURCE: PCT Int. Appl., 225 pp.
CODEN: PIXXD2
DOCUMENT TYPE: Patent
LANGUAGE: English
FAMILY ACC. NUM. COUNT: 1
PATENT INFORMATION:

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WO 2003024388	A3	20030731		
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JP 2005527474 T2 20050915 JP 2003-528486 20020530
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 US 2002-362612P P 20020308
 WO 2002-US17204 W 20020530

AB Methods and compns. for treating, preventing, or diagnosing epidermal or dermal disorders, e.g., psoriasis, are disclosed. The methods and compns. of the invention use binding agents, e.g., antibodies, specific for the extracellular domain of human prostate specific membrane antigen (PSMA).

L2 ANSWER 18 OF 24 CAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2006 ACS on STN

ACCESSION NUMBER: 2003:836381 CAPLUS
 DOCUMENT NUMBER: 139:341719
 TITLE: Use of bi-specific antibodies for pre-targeting diagnosis and therapy
 INVENTOR(S): Goldenberg, David M.; Hansen, Hans J.; Leung, Shui-on; McBride, William J.; Qu, Zhengxing
 PATENT ASSIGNEE(S): Immunomedics, Inc., USA
 SOURCE: U.S. Pat. Appl. Publ., 59 pp., Cont.-in-part of U.S. Ser. No. 823,746.
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 DOCUMENT TYPE: Patent
 LANGUAGE: English
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			US 1999-337756	A2 19990622
			US 2002-150654	A 20020517
			WO 2003-GB2110	W 20030516

AB The present invention relates to a bi-specific antibody or antibody fragment having at least one arm that specifically binds a targeted tissue and at least one other arm that specifically binds a targetable construct.

The targetable construct comprises a carrier portion which comprises or bears at least one epitope recognizable by at least one arm of said bi-specific antibody or antibody fragment. The targetable construct further comprises one or more therapeutic or diagnostic agents or enzymes. The invention provides constructs and methods for producing the bi-specific antibodies or antibody fragments, as well as methods for using them.

L2 ANSWER 19 OF 24 CAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2006 ACS on STN

ACCESSION NUMBER: 2002:449519 CAPLUS
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 137:28278
TITLE: Methods of treatment of angiogenesis-related disease involving human MDA-7 protein
INVENTOR(S): Chada, Sunil; Grimm, Elizabeth; Mhashilkar, Abner; Schrock, Bob; Rajagopal, Ramesh
PATENT ASSIGNEE(S): University of Texas, USA
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AB The invention relates to gene therapy methods for the treatment of human disease. More specifically, the invention is directed to methods for treating a subject with an angiogenesis-related disease. In one embodiment, an adenoviral expression construct comprising a nucleic acid encoding a human MDA-7 protein under the control of a promoter operable in eukaryotic cells, is administered to said patient with a angiogenesis-related disease. The present invention thus provides for treatment of angiogenesis-related disease by through expression of mda-7 and inhibition angiogenesis. Such diseases include cancer.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2001:404358 BIOSIS
DOCUMENT NUMBER: PREV200100404358
TITLE: Hydrolysis of methotrexate analogs by prostate-specific membrane antigen (PSMA).
AUTHOR(S): Gady, Alyssa M. [Reprint author]; Rosen, D. Marc; Denmeade,

CORPORATE SOURCE: Samuel R.
SOURCE: The Johns Hopkins School of Medicine, Baltimore, MD, USA
Proceedings of the American Association for Cancer Research
Annual Meeting, (March, 2001) Vol. 42, pp. 230. print.
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Association for Cancer Research. New Orleans, LA, USA.
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ACCESSION NUMBER: 1999:144870 CAPLUS
TITLE: Synthesis of N-thiophosphonyl derivatives of glutamic
acid
AUTHOR(S): Dastgah, Azar; Lu, Haiyan; Mlodnosky, Karyn L.; Dinh,
Trang T.; Berkman, Clifford E.
CORPORATE SOURCE: Dept. of Chemistry & Biochemistry, San Francisco State
Univ., San Francisco, CA, 94132, USA
SOURCE: Book of Abstracts, 217th ACS National Meeting,
Anaheim, Calif., March 21-25 (1999), CHED-397.
American Chemical Society: Washington, D. C.
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DOCUMENT TYPE: Conference; Meeting Abstract
LANGUAGE: English

AB Recently, it has been noted that increased intra- and extra-cellular
levels of folate hydrolyzing enzymes (Gamma-Glutamyl Hydrolase, GGH;
prostate specific membrane antigen,
PSM) are associated with tumor cell resistance to the antiproliferative drug
methotrexate (MTX). Therefore, inhibitors of GGH or PSM could be
therapeutically invaluable for combating MTX-resistant tumors by
countering their mode of resistance. Initial studies indicated that
traditional, phosphoramidate tetrahedral-intermediate analog inhibitors
were unsuccessful against the target hydrolases. However, recent
preliminary data has shown that the corresponding thiophosphoramidate
analogues exhibit inhibitory activity against PSM and GGH. The synthesis of
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be presented.

L2 ANSWER 22 OF 24 MEDLINE on STN DUPLICATE 3
ACCESSION NUMBER: 97330810 MEDLINE
DOCUMENT NUMBER: PubMed ID: 9187245
TITLE: Structure of membrane glutamate carboxypeptidase.
AUTHOR: Rawlings N D; Barrett A J
CORPORATE SOURCE: Department of Immunology, The Babraham Institute,
Cambridge, UK.
SOURCE: Biochimica et biophysica acta, (1997 May 23) Vol. 1339, No.
2, pp. 247-52.
Journal code: 0217513. ISSN: 0006-3002.
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LANGUAGE: English
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ENTRY MONTH: 199707
ENTRY DATE: Entered STN: 16 Jul 1997
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AB Membrane glutamate carboxypeptidase (mGCP) hydrolyses pteroylpoly-gamma-
glutamates, methotrexate tri-gamma-glutamate and
N-acetyl-aspartyl-alpha-glutamate. The enzyme is thought to be required

for intestinal uptake of folate, for the resistance of some tumours to methotrexate, and for the metabolism of N-acetyl-aspartyl-glutamate, an abundant neuropeptide. It has recently been reported that mGCP is a protein also known as prostate-specific membrane antigen, homologous with transferrin receptor. This allows us to predict the domain structure of mGCP. Moreover, we have been able to assign the catalytic domain of mGCP to peptidase family M28, which contains cocatalytic zinc metallopeptidases. On the basis of the known structure of an aminopeptidase in family M28, we predict that Asp377, Asp387, Glu425, Asp453 and His553 are ligands of two atoms of zinc bound in the catalytic site of mGCP, and suggest that the aminopeptidases of *Vibrio* and *Streptomyces* can serve as valuable models in the design of inhibitors for this medically important enzyme.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 1997:738993 CAPLUS

DOCUMENT NUMBER: 128:21580

TITLE: Prostate-specific membrane antigen, a unique folate hydrolase: potential target for prodrug therapy

AUTHOR(S): Heston, Warren D. W.; Tong, W. P.; Pinto, J. T.

CORPORATE SOURCE: Urologic Oncology Research Laboratory, Molecular Pharmacology and Experimental Therapeutics Section, Sloan-Kettering Institute for Cancer Research, New York, NY, USA

SOURCE: Molecular Urology (1997), 1(2/3), 215-219

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AB The aim of the current investigation was to determine whether prostate-specific membrane (PSM) antigen can be used as a prodrug target. In searching to identify the function of PSM antigen, we observed that it is a unique carboxypeptidase, which has hydrolytic activity with carboxy-terminal peptidic bonds involving glutamate. It is unique in that it will hydrolyze gamma- and alpha-linked peptides, such as the alpha linkage in N-acetylaspartylglutamate and the gamma-linked glutamates in polygamma-glutamated folate or methotrexate. A substrate used to study the activity of PSM antigen is methotrexate trigamma-glutamate. Because the trigamma-glutamate is a poor substrate for transportation into the cell, we examined it as a potential prodrug form of this traditional anticancer drug. When we incubated it with LNCaP tumor cells, it was cytotoxic. We then incubated it with PC-3 cells that were or were not transfected with PSM antigen and found that it was cytotoxic to the PSM antigen-expressing cells. Polygamma-glutamated folate antagonists should be considered for therapeutic approaches in prostate cancer.

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DOCUMENT NUMBER: PubMed ID: 9816319

TITLE: Prostate-specific membrane antigen: a novel folate hydrolase in human prostatic carcinoma cells.

AUTHOR: Pinto J T; Suffoletto B P; Berzin T M; Qiao C H; Lin S; Tong W P; May F; Mukherjee B; Heston W D

CORPORATE SOURCE: Nutrition Research Laboratory, Urology Research Laboratory, Pharmacology Analytical Laboratory, and George M. O'Brien Urology Research Center, Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center, New York, New York 10021, USA.

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2, No. 9, pp. 1445-51.

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LANGUAGE: English

FILE SEGMENT: Priority Journals

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ENTRY DATE: Entered STN: 11 Mar 1999

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AB A novel monoclonal antibody has been developed that reacts strongly with human prostatic cancer, especially tumors of high grade. This antibody (7E11C-5) is currently in Phase 3 trials as an imaging agent for metastatic disease. We have cloned the gene that encodes the antigen that is recognized by the 7E11C-5 monoclonal antibody and have designated this unique protein prostate-specific membrane (PSM) antigen. PSM antigen is a putative class II transmembranous glycoprotein exhibiting a molecular size of Mr 94,000. Functionally, class II membrane proteins serve as transport or binding proteins or have hydrolytic activity. Preliminary studies have demonstrated binding of pteroylmonoglutamate (folate) to membrane fractions that also cross-reacted with the PSM monoclonal antibody. We observed substantial carboxypeptidase activity as folate hydrolase associated with PSM antigen. The purpose of our study was to demonstrate that human prostatic carcinoma cells expressing PSM antigen exhibit folate hydrolase activity using methotrexate triglutamate (MTXGlu3) and pteroylpentaglutamate (PteGlu5) as substrates. Isolated membrane fractions from four human prostate cancer cell lines (LNCaP, PC-3, TSU-Prl, and Duke-145) were examined for folate hydrolase activity using capillary electrophoresis. After timed incubations at various pH ranges and in the presence and absence of thiol reagents, separation of pteroyl(glutamate)_n derivatives was achieved with an electrolyte of sodium borate and SDS, while absorbance was monitored at 300 nm. The results demonstrate clearly that LNCaP cells, which highly express PSM, hydrolyze gamma-glutamyl linkages of MTXGlu3. The membrane-bound enzyme is an exopeptidase, because it progressively liberates glutamates from MTXGlu3 and PteGlu5 with accumulation of MTX and PteGlu1, respectively. The semipurified enzyme has a broad activity from pH 2.5 to 9.5 and exhibits activity maxima at pH 5 and 8. Enzymatic activity is maintained in the presence of reduced glutathione, homocysteine, and p-hydroxymercuribenzoate (0.05-0.5 mM) but was inhibited weakly by DTT (>=0.2 mM). By contrast to LNCaP cell membranes, membranes isolated from other human prostate adenocarcinoma cells (PC-3, Duke-145, and TSU-Pr1) did not exhibit comparable hydrolase activity, nor did they react with 7E11-C5 monoclonal antibody. After transfection of PC-3 cells with a full-length 2.65-kb PSM cDNA subcloned into a pREP7 eukaryotic expression vector, non-PSM antigen-expressing PC-3 cells developed immunoreactivity to 7E11-C5 monoclonal antibody and demonstrated folate hydrolase activities and optimum pH activity profiles identical to those of LNCaP cells. The membrane-bound enzymes from both LNCaP- and PC-3-transfected cells also have a capacity to hydrolyze an alpha-linked glutamyl moiety from N-acetyl-alpha-aspartylglutamate. We have identified that PSM antigen is a pteroyl poly-gamma-glutamyl carboxypeptidase (folate hydrolase) and is expressed strongly in human prostate cancer. Cancer cells that express this enzyme are resistant to methotrexate therapy. Those developing future therapeutic strategies in the treatment of prostate cancer that utilize folate antagonists need to consider this mechanism of resistance.

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TITLE: Binding of the glutamate carboxypeptidase II (NAALADase)
inhibitor 2-PMPA to rat brain membranes.
AUTHOR: Tiffany C W; Cai N S; Rojas C; Slusher B S
CORPORATE SOURCE: Guilford Pharmaceuticals Inc., 6611 Tributary Street,
Baltimore, MD 21224, USA.
SOURCE: European journal of pharmacology, (2001 Sep 14) Vol. 427,
No. 2, pp. 91-6.
Journal code: 1254354. ISSN: 0014-2999.
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AB 2-Phosphonomethyl pentanedioic acid (2-PMPA) is a potent and selective inhibitor of glutamate carboxypeptidase II (NAALADase), and has shown robust neuroprotective activity in both in vitro and in vivo models of ischemia. In the brain, glutamate carboxypeptidase II (GCPII) (EC3.4.17.21) hydrolyzes the neuropeptide N-acetylaspartylglutamate (NAAG) to glutamate and N-acetylaspartate. We report the development and characterization of a [(3)H]2-PMPA binding assay. [(3)H]2-PMPA binding was dependent on protein concentration, saturable, and displaceable. The association (k(on)) and dissociation (k(off)) rate constants were 3x10(6) M(-1) s(-1) and 0.01 s(-1), respectively. The dissociation equilibrium constant (K(d)) determined from the ratio of the rate constants (K(d)=k(off)/k(on)) was 1 nM. Scatchard analysis revealed one binding site with K(d)=2 nM and B(max)=0.7 pmol/mg. Binding exhibited similar pharmacological properties to GCPII enzyme activity, including chloride dependency, cobalt stimulation and inhibition by phosphate and

quisqualate. The binding of [(3)H]2-PMPA also showed tissue specificity in that tissues previously reported to be devoid of GCPII enzymatic activity were devoid of [(3)H]2-PMPA binding. [(3)H]2-PMPA binding represents an additional probe for the study of GCPII activity, and may be useful as a high throughput screening assay.

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TITLE: Molecular cloning of a peptidase against
N-acetylaspartylglutamate from a rat hippocampal cDNA
library.
AUTHOR: Bzdega T; Turi T; Wroblewska B; She D; Chung H S; Kim H;
Neale J H
CORPORATE SOURCE: Department of Biology, Georgetown University, Washington,
D.C. 20057-1229, U.S.A.
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2270-7.
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AB N-Acetylaspartylglutamate (NAAG) is the most prevalent peptide
neurotransmitter in the mammalian nervous system. NAAG selectively
activates the type 3 metabotropic glutamate receptor. It is inactivated
by peptidase activity on the extracellular face of the plasma membrane of
neurons and glia. The human gene that codes for prostate
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were detected in the hippocampus, dentate gyrus, piriform cortex, choroid
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nucleus. Three transcripts (estimated at 5, 3.4, and 2.9 kb) were
identified in northern blots of rat brain, while in rat kidney the third
transcript appeared slightly smaller than 2.9 kb. With use of reverse
transcriptase PCR with primers for the 5' end, the central region, and the
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AB This report demonstrates that the investigational prostatic carcinoma marker known as the prostate-specific membrane antigen (PSM) possesses hydrolytic activity with the substrate and pharmacologic properties of the N-acetylated alpha-linked acidic dipeptidase (NAALADase). NAALADase is a membrane hydrolase that has been characterized in the mammalian nervous system on the basis of its catabolism of the neuropeptide N-acetylaspartylglutamate (NAAG) to yield glutamate and N-acetylaspartate and that has been hypothesized to influence glutamatergic signaling processes. The immunoscreening of a rat brain cDNA expression library with anti-NAALADase antisera identified a 1428-base partial cDNA that shares 86% sequence identity with 1428 bases of the human PSM cDNA [Israeli, R. S., Powell, C. T., Fair, W. R. & Heston, W.D.W. (1993) Cancer Res. 53, 227-230]. A cDNA containing the entire PSM open reading frame was subsequently isolated by reverse transcription-PCR from the PSM-positive prostate carcinoma cell line LNCaP. Transient transfection of this cDNA into two NAALADase-negative cell lines conferred NAAG-hydrolyzing activity that was inhibited by the NAALADase inhibitors quisqualic acid and beta-NAAG. Thus we demonstrate a PSM-encoded function and identify a NAALADase-encoding cDNA. Northern analyses identify at least six transcripts that are variably expressed in NAALADase-positive but not in NAALADase-negative rat tissues and human cell lines; therefore, PSM and/or related molecular species appear to account for NAAG hydrolysis in the nervous system. These results also raise questions about the role of PSM in both normal and pathologic prostate epithelial-cell function.

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